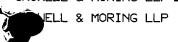
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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that: O P E
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X The attached application, or Application No, filed on, as amended on (if applicable);
/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;
/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;
I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 including material information which became available between the filing date of the prio application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-parapplication, if applicable;
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as my/our attorneys to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact a business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; and
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